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Sir:

Enclosed to complete the record and for the Examiner's convenience are a copy each of Form PCT/IB/326, Notification Concerning Transmittal of Copy of International Preliminary Report on Patentability; Form PCT/IB/373, International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty); and Form PCT/ISA/237, Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority in the above-identified application. The reference discussed in the Written Opinion was cited in Applicant's Information Disclosure Statement filed September 18, 2006.

Entry hereof is earnestly solicited.

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